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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1733

PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0023.01

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
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Renato CARETTA et al.)
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Application Serial No. 09/840,095) Group Art Unit: 1733
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Filed: April 24, 2001) Examiner: Knable, G.
)
For: A METHOD FOR MAKING TIRES)
FOR VEHICLE WHEELS)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the
Examiner's Final Office Action mailed November 19, 2003.

The items checked below are appropriate.

1. [X] A Petition for Extension of Time to extend the period for response to May 19, 2004, is enclosed, together with a three-month extension fee of \$950.00.
2. [] A Petition for Extension of Time to further extend the period for response to May 19, 2004, is enclosed, together with an extension fee of \$0.00.
3. [X] The Appeal Fee of \$330.00 is enclosed.
4. [X] A check in the amount of \$1,280.00 to cover the above-listed fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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